

**Amendments to the Specification:**

On page 1, line 6, please add the following heading and paragraph:

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation-in-part of US Patent Application No. 10/256,949 entitled "SYSTEM FOR AWARDED A BONUS TO A GAMING DEVICE ON A WIDE AREA NETWORK" filed September 27, 2002, which claims priority to provisional application US 60/326,030 entitled "SYSTEM FOR AWARDED A BONUS TO A GAMING DEVICE ON A WIDE AREA NETWORK" filed September 28, 2001, the contents of which are hereby incorporated herein for all purposes.